

Closing the Polls Paper Ballots

Thirty minutes prior to closing the polls, a Judge announces the polls are closing

Close the Polls at 8:00 PM.

All electors waiting in line at 8:00 shall be allowed to vote

After the Polls Close

The election board may divide into teams and work on the following procedures simultaneously

Count the number of elector's signatures in the poll book

Compare the Election Record Poll Book(s) or list of voters. Correct any mistakes

Unlock the voted ballots, unfold and count the ballots. Enter the number in the Election Record Poll Book

Count the number of ballot stubs. Enter the number of unused ballots in the Election Record Poll Book

The number of ballots in the voted ballot box plus the number of spoiled ballots must agree with the number of stubs

Tally the votes - see Procedural Manual page 22 for official guidelines

Enter the total votes cast for each candidate in official return section of each Tally Book - the number of votes must be spelled out

Each election official must sign the certificate in back of each tally book

Post a correct copy of the election results (a sample ballot can be used)

Idaho has two time zones. Do not post any results until 8:00 PM statewide

Transmit a copy of results to the County Clerk as early as possible

Return Election record Poll Book and one set of tally books in the proper envelope

Return absentee ballot envelopes, Oaths of Challenged Persons, receipt for ballots and supplies, sequence cards, Election Laws Book and election stamp

Lock or seal the voted ballots, and one set of tally books and Election Record Poll Book in proper return envelope in the voted ballot box

Lock or seal the stubs, spoiled ballots, envelop for rejected absent elector's ballots, unvoted ballots, & election day registration cards in the proper envelope in the unvoted ballot box

Return election records and supplies to the county clerk's office. If closed, deliver to the sheriff or a deputy